

Whittier: Maintenance and Operations

FY2007 Request: \$2,000,000

Reference No: 38304

AP/AL: Allocation

Project Type: Health and Safety

Category: Transportation

Location: Anchorage Areawide

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2006 - 06/30/2011

Appropriation: Surface Transportation Program

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

Provide federal-aid funds for the eligible portion of costs to operate and maintain the Whittier Tunnel Facility. The project will provide funding on an annual basis for the duration of the VMS, Inc. Operations Contract, June 7, 2002 to February 28, 2009. This project contributes to the Department's Mission by reducing injuries, fatalities and property damage and by improving the mobility of people and goods.

Funding:	<u>FY2007</u>	<u>FY2008</u>	<u>FY2009</u>	<u>FY2010</u>	<u>FY2011</u>	<u>FY2012</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fed Rcpts	\$2,000,000						\$2,000,000
Total:	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On-Going
9% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill	

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	0
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

FY2006 - \$2,000,000; FY2004 - \$4,000,000.

Project Description/Justification:

The Whittier Tunnel is a vital link to the City of Whittier and provides needed access through the mountain for residents, tourists and commercial freight services via cars, trucks, busses and train. Maintenance of the tunnel is important for safety of the traveling public as well as efficiency of operation.